

Colonel Wayne A. Parks

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Colonel Parks attended Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, KS. He was enlisted into the US Army Reserves in 1979 and commissioned in 1982 as part of the Early Commissioning Program. He was commissioned into the Regular Army in 1983 as an Armor Officer, attended the Armor Calvary Basic Course in Fort Knox, KY, and is a graduate from the US Army Aviation School. He initially served with the 5th and 7th Squadrons, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 6th Combat Brigade Air Cavalry in Fort Hood as an Aeroscout Platoon Leader, Attack Helicopter Platoon Leader, and as a Troop Commander. After attending the Aviation Officer Advanced Course and transitioning to the AH-64 Advanced Attack Helicopter, he reported to 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, 11th Aviation Brigade where he commanded an Attack Helicopter Troop and served as the Brigade and Squadron S-2 during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in Southwest Asia.



Upon returning to CONUS in 1991, he was assigned as a Small Group Instructor for company grade officers. His next tour of duty in 1994 was as an S-3 for the newly formed 4th Attack Battalion, 501st Aviation Regiment where he spent 10 months at Fort Hood and 8 months at Camp Page, Korea. Before departing Korea, he served as a Deep Operations Liaison Officer with the Combined Forces Command in the HTAC/KCOIC at Osan Air Base, Korea. He returned to CONUS in 1995 to become an Observer/Controller for the Battle Command Training Program in Fort Leavenworth and attended the Command and General Staff College and School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS).

After completing SAMS in 1998, Colonel Parks was assigned as the Chief of Plans for the 7th Infantry Division at Fort Carson. He was then assigned as the Executive Officer for 4th Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, III Corps where he deployed to Bosnia/Herzegovina as the Executive Officer for the 49th Aviation Brigade, Texas Army National Guard. His next assignment was to 3rd US Army as the Chief of War Plans for Coalition and Joint Land Forces in the CENTCOM Region. His service included 26 months deployed in the Southwest Asia Theater for Operation Southern Watch, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom as the Land Component Commander's Planning Liaison to CENTCOM HQ, Chief, Commander's Initiatives Group and Chief Information Management Officer. During his tour with 3rd US Army, he was selected as an alternate for battalion command and subsequently designated to the Information Operations Career Field. At the completion of his combat tours in Southwest Asia, he was selected to attend the US Army War College in Carlisle Barracks and the Joint and Combined Warfighter School-Senior in Norfolk, VA. Colonel Parks was then assigned to the Joint Staff as Chief, Command Systems Operations Division and subsequently as Assistant Deputy Director for Global Operations, J-39.

His education includes a Bachelors of Business Administration in Finance, Master of Arts in Information Systems Management, Masters in Military Arts and Sciences, and a Master of Arts in Strategic Studies.

Colonel Parks' personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with V device, Army Commendation Medal with V device, Joint Staff Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Valorous Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, 3 Overseas Service Ribbons, Saudi Arabia/Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, and the Senior Army Aviation Badge.

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